

JANUARY 13, 2014 REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING HELD ON THIS DATE AT THE DRESDEN TOWN HALL BEGINNING AT 6 P.M. ALL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE EXCEPT COUN. WILBUR.

THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG WAS LED BY SUPERVISOR GANG AND THE OATHS OF OFFICE WERE GIVEN BY TOWN CLERK MARCINDA WILBUR TO INCOMING COUNCILMEN PATRICK GREENOUGH, AND EDWIN RAYMOND, AND SUPERVISOR GEORGE GANG.

RESOLUTION #1-2014 TITLED “**POLICIES**” BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF DRESDEN ACCEPTS AND ADOPTS ALL FISCAL AND PROCEDURAL POLICIES IN EFFECT AT THE END OF 2013 UNTIL AND UNLESS MODIFIED BY THE BOARD. COUN. BARBER MADE THE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUN. GREENOUGH, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

RESOLUTION #2-2014 TITLED **SALARIES**” BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF DRESDEN FOR THE YEAR 2014 IS ADOPTED:

SUPERVISOR.....	\$14,500/YR
TOWN COUNCILMAN(4).....	\$2,900/YR
TOWN CLERK.....	\$17,500/YR
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT.....	\$47,500/YR
TOWN JUSTICE(2).....	\$5,800/YR
ASSESSOR.....	\$16,000/YR
SUPERVISOR SECRETARY.....	\$720/YR
TAX COLLECTOR.....	\$5,000/YR
DEPUTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT.....	\$520/YR
BUDGET OFFICER.....	\$12,400/YR
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS.....	\$700/YR
DOG CONTROL OFFICER.....	\$2,400/YR
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER.....	\$900/YR
HISTORIAN.....	\$750/YR
SEWER DISTRICT OPERATOR.....	\$195/WK-\$19.00/HR OTHER
JUSTICE CLERK.....	\$17.00/HR
BUILDING CUSTODIAN.....	\$15.00/HR
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK.....	\$14.00/HR AS AUTHORIZED BY TOWN BOARD

HIGHWAY WORKERS WILL BE PAID AS PER CONTRACT WITH THE TEAMSTERS UNION.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR AUTHORIZED TRAVEL ON TOWN BUSINESS OUTSIDE OF TOWN \$.45/MILE. MEALS OUT OF THE COUNTY ON TOWN BUSINESS: \$9.00 FOR BREAKFAST; \$15.00 FOR LUNCH; \$23.00 FOR DINNER.

MAXIMUM USE OF TOWN CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS FOR ANY SINGLE PURPOSE TO BE SET AT \$300 WITHOUT PRIOR NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FROM EITHER BUDGET OFFICER OR MEMBER OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

PUT FORTH BY A MOTION MADE BY COUN. GREENOUGH, SECONDED BY COUN. BARBER, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

RESOLUTION #3-2014 TITLED “**APPOINTMENTS**” BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE OR POSITION ARE ADOPTED FOR 2014:

DEPUTY SUPERVISOR.....	COUNCILMAN JOHN BARBER
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR.....	COUNCILMAN ALLEN WILBUR
DEPUTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT.....	JAMES BROWN
DIRECTOR OF FINACE/BUDGET OFFICER.....	SUPERVISOR GEORGE GANG
TAX COLLECTOR.....	TOWN CLERK MARCINDA WILBUR
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS.....	TOWN CLERK MARCINDA WILBUR
SUPERVISOR SECRETARY.....	ANDA STIPINS-GANG
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER.....	GEORGE FERGUSON
JUSTICE COURT CLERK.....	GAIL SMITH
HISTORIAN.....	KATHY HUNTINTON
ASSESSOR.....	JUNE MANICEK
TOWN ATTORNEY.....	BRADLEY KRAUSE (WITH THE FIRM MCPHILLIPS, FITZGERALD, & CULLUM)
OFFICIAL BANK.....	COMMUNITY BANK
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.....	WHITEHALL TIMES

THE TOWN ATTORNEY WILL BE NAMED AT A LATER TIME AS MR. KRAUSE IS NO LONGER WITH THE FIRM. PUT FORTH BY COUN. GREENOUGH, SECONDED BY COUN. BARBER, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

RESOLUTION #4-2014 TITLED “**HIGHWAY AGREEMENT**” BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE AGREEMENT WITH THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT OF THE TOWN OF DRESDEN FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE TOWN HIGHWAY SYSTER FOR 2014 IS APPROVED. PUT FORTH BY A MOTION BY COUN. GREENOUGH, SECONDED BY COUN. BARBER, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE’S ARE AS FOLLOW:

BUILDING AND GROUNDS.....	RAYMOND/WILBUR
BUDGET.....	BARBER/ GANG/ GREENOUGH
CEMETARIES.....	RAYMOND/WILBUR
HIGHWAY.....	BARBER/GREENOUGH
INSURANCE.....	BARBER/GANG
LEGAL.....	BARBER/GANG

OPEN SPACE.....BARBER/WILBUR  
 RECREATION.....BARBER/RAYMOND  
 SEWER DISTRICT.....GANG/GREENOUGH  
 TOWN JUSTICE REVIEW.....GREENOUGH/WILBUR

A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES WAS MADE BY COUN. BARBER, SECONDED BY COUN. GREENOUGH, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR. A MOTION TO PAY THE AUDITED BILLS WAS MADE BY COUN. GREENOUGH, SECONDED BY COUN. BARBER, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR.

**OLD BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:** NEW YORK DIG SAFELY WILL NEED TO BE CONTACTED IF THERE WILL BE ANY DIGGING BY CALLING 8-1-1. THE TOWN DOESN'T HAVE ANY WATER LINES EXCEPT FOR WHAT IS IN HULETT'S LANDING SEWER DISTRICTS AND THE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THAT IS CURRENTLY UNDER THE FORMER SUPERVISOR BOB BANKS AND IT WILL BE CHANGED TO BILL BORDEN WHO IS THE CURRENT OPERATOR. THE ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY WILL BE REPLACING UTILITY POLES TO NEW HIGHER ONES DUE TO THE OSPREY BUILDING THEIR NESTS ON THEM. TRANSMISSION DEVELOPERS WILL BE PLACING A POWER LINE THROUGH LAKE CHAMPLAIN AND IT WILL BE EXITING THE WATER NEAR DRESDEN STATION AND CONTINUING ALONG ROUTE 22 TO NEW YORK CITY. THIS WILL BE A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT AND COUN. BARBER WILL BE DISCUSSING AT A LATER TIME WITH A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE COMPANY. GEORGE KAPUSINSKI IS WILLING TO HELP THE TOWN SET UP A WEB SITE FOR THE TOWN AT A NOMINAL FEE AND THE MATERIAL BEING USED IS UNOFFICIAL UNTIL IT IS VOTED ON DURING THE FOLLOWING MEETING. INDEPENDENT TOWER'S REPRESENTATIVE DAN SCHWEIGARD HAS BEEN TRYING TO GET IN CONTACT WITH SOMEONE FOR THE TOWN IN REGARDS TO PLACING A CELL TOWER ON THE TOWN PIT, BUT HE HAS NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN HEARING BACK FROM ANYONE. THE TOWN HAS THE INFORMATION, BUT THE WORDING IN THE CONTRACT IS VAGUE AND NEEDS SOME ADJUSTING. THERE WILL BE A CELL TOWER PLACED ON CRUSHER HILL ROAD AT A LATER DATE AND SUP. GANG WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH INDEPENDENT TOWER.

COURT CLERK GAIL SMITH ADDRESSED THE BOARD ABOUT EXCESSIVE BOOKS THAT ARE BEING STORED IN THE JUDGE'S CHAMBER. THERE IS A RECORD RETENTION SCHEDULE FOR ALL RECORDS BUT IT'S A MATTER OF WHERE TO STORE THEM IN THE MEANTIME. SUP. GANG SUGGESTED THAT MS. SMITH GO THROUGH THE COURT RECORDS AND ELIMINATE THOSE UNNEEDED.

ANDA STIPINS-GANG ASKED ABOUT THE WEB SITE DEADLINES AND TIMELINES. SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE COULD BE ANY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO MAINTAIN IT WITH CONJECTION WITH MR. KAPUSINSKI. SUP. GANG DIDN'T HAVE AN ANSWER FOR THAT JUST YET AS THE TALK OF HAVING THE TOWN WEB SITE IS IN THE BEGINNING STAGES.

MR. HOBUS BROUGHT UP THAT THE TOWN WILL NEED TO DISCUSS A NEW TRUCK FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT. THE 2001 TANDEM IS COSTING THE TOWN MONEY AND THE REPAIRS ARE GETTING EXPENSIVE. SUP. GANG, AND COUNCILMEN BARBER AND GREENOUGH ARE ON THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE AND THEY WILL NEED TO SIT DOWN WITH MR. HOBUS ABOUT THE COST AND DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITIES.

SOME NEWS ABOUT THE COUNTY BUSINESS IS THAT SUP. GANG HAS BEEN ATTENDING ANY AND ALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD DURING DECEMBER, EVEN THE ONES HE ISN'T ON, AND THE COUNTY IS CLOSE TO HIRING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPER FOR A CLOSER LOOK AT HOW TO DEVELOP BUSINESS INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. THERE WERE 20 TO 30 APPLICANTS AND DURING LAST WEEK THE COUNTY INTERVIEWED 3 AND WILL NEED TO DECIDE. SUP. GANG IS INTERESTED IN THIS ENDEAVOR AND WILL BE PUSHING FOR THIS.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT'S REPORT:** DURING THE LAST MONTH THERE HAS BEEN 22 DAYS OF SNOW/ICE CONTROL. THERE HAS BEEN AN ONGOING ISSUE WITH WATER ON BLUE GOOSE ROAD. WE HAVE HAD TO TAKE THE LOADER AND SCRAPE THE ICE OFF THE ROAD, RESALT, AND SAND FROM THE GROUND WATER COMING YOU FROM THE ROAD BED. WHEN THERE HAS BEEN TIME, THE CREW HAS BEEN ABLE TO HANG THE NEW HOT AIR FURNACE BUT IT'S STILL NOT OPERATING. SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE HAS INCLUDED REMOVAL AND REPAIR OF THE CUTTING EDGE ON THE PLOW, THE AIR HOSE NEEDED REPLACED ON THE TD-7 AS WELL AS THE BRAKE SHOES AND THE DRUMS. AND MOST RECENTLY THE BRAKE CANISTER BRACKET ON THE TD-9 BROKE AND WE ARE WAITING ON PARTS TO ARRIVE. NO FURTHER BUSINESS, AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10P.M. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED MARCINDA WILBUR TOWN CLERK.

**ATTENDANCE:** LOUISE DAVIDSON HELEN MARIE SUNKENBURG ANDA STIPINS-GANG GEORGE FERGUSON GAVIN BOULE PAIGE CHAPLIN JAY VANDER PLAAT GAIL SMITH DAVE D'ALESSANDRO